

I strongly oppose further deregulation of media ownership. Diversity is necessary in a free state, and the possibility of concentrating control further is unacceptable. This is necessary for the good of the public, even though business might prefer a different outcome. The role of the FCC, I believe, is to care for the public good, above all else. This will require that controls remain in place to prevent further erosion of the rules that provide for a distribution of services.

It is my strong hope that you retain the current ownership rules.

Thank you.

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